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TITLE:	Self Authentication Ciphertext Chaining		

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed November 15, 2007 concerning the above-identified application. A request for a one month Extension of Time up to March 15, 2008 is submitted concurrently herewith.

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.